

## ATLANTIC FLEET GOES TO PACIFIC

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to immediately refit and proceed to the Pacific coast to form part of an armored cruiser squadron to be assembled there. It is possible that they will be detained and accompany the battle ships on the cruise. When Admiral Evans arrives off the coast his fleet will be increased by the addition of the battle ship Nebraska, newly completed and simply waiting the rounding out of her skeleton frame. The battle ships Wisconsin and Oregon, now at Bremerton navy yard, Puget sound, will probably have completed their extensive repairs by next March, so that they, too, may be added to the fleet, which will then comprise nineteen battle ships, besides the armored and protected cruisers of the Pacific fleet.

The composition of the fleet today is as follows:

**Battle ships:**  
Connecticut, Captain Hugo Osterhaus commanding; tonnage, 16,000; guns, 24; speed, 18 knots.

Maine, Captain Nathan Niles; tonnage, 12,500; guns, 20; speed, 18 knots.

Louisiana, Captain Richard Vainwright; tonnage, 16,000; guns, 24; speed, 18 knots.

Missouri, Captain Greenleaf A. Merriam; tonnage, 12,500; guns, 20; speed, 18 knots.

Virginia, Captain Seaton Schroeder; tonnage, 14,948; guns, 24; speed, 19 knots.

Georgia, Captain Henry McCreary; tonnage, 14,900; guns, 24; speed, 19 knots.

New Jersey, Captain William W. Kimball; tonnage, 14,948; guns, 24; speed, 19 knots.

Rhode Island, Captain yet to be assigned; tonnage, 14,948; guns, 24; speed, 19 knots.

Alabama, Captain Samuel P. Conmy; tonnage, 12,500; guns, 20; speed, 18 knots.

Illinois, Captain Gottfried Blocklinger; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Kearsarge, Captain Herbert Winslow; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Kentucky, Captain Edward B. Barry; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Minnesota, Captain John Hubbard; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Vermont, Captain William P. Potter; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Kansas, Captain Charles E. Woodland; tonnage, 11,335; guns, 18; speed, 17 knots.

Protected cruisers:

Charleston, Commander Frank E. Batty; tonnage, 9,700; guns, 14; speed, 22 knots.

Chicago, Commander Robert M. Doyle; tonnage, 4,500; guns, 18; speed, 18 knots.

Milwaukee, Commander Charles A. Gove; tonnage, 9,700; guns, 14; speed, 22 knots.

St. Louis, Commander Nathaniel R. Usher; tonnage, 9,700; guns, 14; speed, 22 knots.

Gunboat:

Yorktown, Commander Richard T. Mulligan; tonnage, 1,710; guns, 6; speed, 16 knots.

The armored cruiser squadron of the Pacific fleet, which will have headquarters in California waters, will be composed of the Washington, Captain Theodore Porter, and Tennessee, Captain Albert G. Berry, sister ships, 14,500 tons each, 24 guns, 22 knots; and the California, and Kentucky, sister ships, 13,600 tons each, 22 guns, 18 knots, almost complete, with officers yet to be assigned.

Rear Admiral Charles H. Stockton will command the armored cruiser squadron, the Tennessee being his flagship.

### NEWS TO BROWNSON.

Rear Admiral Doesn't Know About the Cruise.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 5.—Rear Admiral W. H. Brownson, who today lunched with President Roosevelt, stated in reaching Oyster Bay that he did not know what ships would compose the fleet to go to the Pacific and that all he knew of the intended cruise was what he had seen in the newspapers.

"The statement of Secretary McCall and that of Secretary Loeb," he continued, "indicate that a cruise may be made somewhere at some time, but that is all I know of the matter. Should the course be taken to the Pacific I think its only object would be to demonstrate how quickly the voyage can be made and for no other purpose."

On leaving Sagamore hill the admiral said the cruising plans of the battleship fleet were barely mentioned at the president's luncheon. The admiral said he would like to emphasize the point that there was no time more propitious to ascertain just what a battleship fleet could do in making an extensive cruise than a time of profound peace such as prevailed now, when he said, the United States has not an enemy in the world.

### EVANS NOT EXCITED.

Admiral Regards Great Trip as Ordinary Cruise.

New York, July 5.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, and who will, it is expected, be in command when the great fleet of battleships round Cape Horn for an excursion into the waters of the Pacific, spent some time at the Brooklyn navy yard today.

To a representative of the Associated Press, whom he received at about his flag ship, the Connecticut, Admiral Evans explained that no rush orders had been received and only routine repairs were under way.

"There have been no orders to rush repairs at the Brooklyn or other navy yards," said the admiral. "The schedule of repairs which I laid out several months ago is still being followed. There is still a shortage of docks that we are always

## NEW MURRAY CITY HALL



Municipal Building at Murray Is Near Completion.

The new Murray city hall is all but completed, and the contractors are putting on the finishing touches. It is two stories high, having in all eight rooms. There is a spacious court room on the second floor, and two ante-rooms. On the ground floor are the council chamber, the mayor's office, also the marshal's office. The wood-work on the interior of the building is

pushed to accomplish our work, but there is no special rush at this time.

Concerning the trip to the Pacific he said: "I have received no orders for a cruise. What may be in contemplation I, of course, do not know. It is my business only to do whatever the government may require."

Admiral Evans attaches no more significance to the plans for a practice cruise that will take his great fleet around the Horn and over a cruise of 14,000 miles, than have other officers, who viewed it as a part of the routine naval operation. "It is absurd," he added, to construe the appearance of his formidable fighting force in the territorial waters of our west coast as a demonstration to impress the friendly government of Japan.

"It is silly to talk of war with Japan," he said. "Because some tough wrecked a Japanese restaurant in San Francisco there is no more reason for war with Japan than there would be for one with China if a few hoodlums on the east side should stone a Chinese laundry."

### MANY SHEEP DYING.

Twenty Thousand Lost in Wyoming and Utah.

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 5.—According to a statement made today by State Veterinary Pfleager, the loss of sheep in Wyoming due to grubs in the head has reached 20,000, and no effective method of stopping the ravages of the insects has yet been discovered. The state authorities have called upon the bureau of animal industry to put government experts in the field for the purpose of fighting the pest.

Mysterious deaths of sheep, presumably from the same cause, have also been reported in Utah.

### FIRE LOSS FOR JUNE.

New York, July 5.—The losses by fire in the United States and Canada during June, as compiled from the records of the Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, aggregate \$14,765,000. This brings the total fire loss for the first half of 1907 up to \$117,457,500, as compared with \$37,565,550 for a like portion of the year 1906, but these figures include \$280,000,000 chargeable to the San Francisco conflagration.

### TARS CELEBRATE FOURTH.

Boys of Cruiser St. Louis Make Merry at Rio.

Washington, July 5.—Independence day was appropriately celebrated by the officers and crew of the cruiser St. Louis at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where the ship stopped for a brief time on her way down the South American coast. A dispatch from Commander Usher said there were boat races and baseball and a reception on board the vessel at which the American flag was hoisted. The president of Brazil, cabinet officers, senators and naval officers, the utmost cordiality being manifested. In the evening the ship was illuminated. Today the St. Louis sailed for Montevideo. She is bound for the Pacific coast.

### FEW WITNESSES LEFT FOR HAYWOOD HEARING

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"What for?" asked Darrow.

"I was told I had talked too much in a college debate at the state university at Boulder. The question being debated was: 'Resolved, That the Calling of the Militia in Cripple Creek Was Unlawful for and Unwarranted.' I was on the affirmative."

Harper said he was taken into custody by two white coppers, Major Naylor of the militia, whom the witness knew, happened along and ordered his white mask and men arrested as Harper said he demanded.

The witness was told his father, John Harper, who had been manager of the Union store at Victor, had been deported to Canyon City. Young Harper and a companion walked the thirty-five miles to Canyon City and found the elder Harper there, his head cut and bleeding.

John Harper followed his son on the stand and related his experiences during the strike period at length. The older Harper was on the stand when the noon recess was taken.

When court met after recess John Harper was on the stand. Mr. Richardson said that he desired to show by the witness that the conditions existing at Victor on June 6 were representative of conditions existing throughout the entire district—namely that the enemies of the Western Federation persistently endeavored to create enmity against the federation and so bring about disturbances. The court sustained an objection by the state to this line of evidence from Harper on the ground that his opinion was not competent. Harper was cross-examined by Senator Borah. He was asked only a few questions as to his own experiences during the troubles following the blowing up of the Independence depot when he was under arrest and his store was looted.

J. Wolff, who testified this morning, was recalled and said that the registered letter he sent to San Francisco was addressed to "J. Dempsey" and so far as he knew contained no name.

C. N. Houston, a miner of Canyon City, Colo., was called to show that he was arrested during the troubles at Victor, and that the first question asked him was whether he was a member of and intended to support the Western Federation of Miners. He replied that he was a member and on that he was immediately "clapped in jail."

Mr. Darrow, on the conclusion of Houston's examination announced that with the exception of one or two witnesses who would not take up much time and the reading of the Bradley depositions from San Francisco and the testimony of C. H. Moyer and W. D. Haywood, the evidence for the defense was all in. He asked that an adjournment be taken until Monday morning. The state agreed and an adjournment was taken until Monday morning.

Judge Wood announced that he would put counsel on both sides in notice before the arguments, as to what the instructions of the court would be. This he said he thought would facilitate the preparation of the arguments.

### MEXICAN LINES COMBINE

Central and National Will Merge Their Interests.

Mexico City, July 5.—Arrangements effecting a merger of the Mexican Central and the National Railroad lines of Mexico will be published tomorrow in the Diario Oficial. A Mexican limited liabilities stock company is to be organized with the Mexican government and the shareholders of the Mexican National and the National lines as incorporators. The company is to be known as the National Railroads of Mexico and its legal headquarters will be in Mexico City. The object is to absorb and operate the railroad lines. The original issue of capital is to be \$200,000,000. Mexican—\$80,000,000 of first preferred stock, \$50,000,000 of second preferred and \$70,000,000 of ordinary stock. The government holds a majority of the stock. An issue of preferred mortgage bonds, not to exceed \$40,000,000 Mexican will carry 4½ per cent interest. General mortgage bonds not to exceed \$372,000,000 Mexican also are to be issued. They are to bear 4 per cent interest. The issue of general mortgage bonds is guaranteed by the Mexican government.

### SLEW SISTER'S BETRAYER.

"Unwritten Law" Successfully Invoked for Waddington.

Brussels, July 5.—Carlos Waddington, son of Luis Waddington, who was charge d'affaires of Chile at Brussels, was today acquitted of the charge of murdering Senor Balmaceda, secretary of the Chilean legation, on February 24, 1906.

Balmaceda, who was to be married to Carlos Waddington's sister, announced to the girl's mother his withdrawal from the engagement, admitting, it was charged, that he had behaved improperly towards Mlle. Waddington, but accusing her of having misbehaved before he met her. When Carlos found his mother prostrated as a result of this interview, he drove to Balmaceda's house, and after a quarrel shot and killed him. The Balmaceda family contended that the Waddingtons tried to force the marriage upon young Balmaceda and that upon his refusal they resolved to get rid of him.

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